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In accordance with the duty of disclosure, the Applicants submit the documents cited on the attached PTO-1449 form. These documents constitute the art of record in the parent application.

The Applicants request the Examiner initial and return a copy of the attached PTO-1449 form as an indication that the references have been considered.

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